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August 18, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Redwood Community Action Agency - Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program Phase I

Dear Mr. Bosco:

I am writing in support of the Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program submitted by Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA) for funding consideration by the Coastal Conservancy.

I am a strong supporter of the development of the California Coastal Trail. I believe that beginning this initial phase of design and planning for the Humboldt County portion of the trail is an important step in realizing the Conservancy's objective for this important statewide recreational and coastal access resource. This is a very popular project that has generated substantial support for various public and private sectors of the Humboldt community.

The RCAA has demonstrated success in the design, planning and construction of public access trails. I have been impressed with the quality and scale of work performed by the agency on trail projects located throughout the County.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my support for the "Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program, Phase I" proposed by Redwood Community Action Agency. I urge the Coastal Conservancy to support this worthwhile project.

Sincerely

PATRICIA WIGON

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August 12, 2008

Doug Bosco, Chair State Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco. Drug

I am pleased to offer my support for the proposal submitted by Redwood Community Action Agency for the Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I.

As you know, public momentum for completing a regional trail system on the North Coast is high and a dedicated team of local agencies is ready to make this collaborative vision a reality. The Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I proposal aims to complete the regional trail master plan, with permitting and implementation planning for the California Coastal Trail through Humboldt County.

This project demonstrates a commitment to completion of the California Coastal Trail and is supported by multiple agencies, local non-profit groups and dedicated individuals. The Coastal Conservancy has long supported efforts to promote coastal access and restoration here on the North Coast; the Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I proposal is the next great step in making the completion of the California Coastal Trail a reality.

I urge your favorable consideration of RCAA's proposal. If I can provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

PATTY BERG

Assemblywoman, 1st District

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Ruth Coleman, Director

August 12, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am pleased to present this letter in support of the 'Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I' proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. Local interest in completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

The North Coast Redwoods District has collaborated on many trail projects throughout the north coast region and continues to provide a wide variety of recreational trail opportunities along our spectacular coastline. Improved coastal access and connectivity to adjacent lands remains a high priority in District planning efforts. The District is currently engaged with Redwood National Park in development of a Trail Plan for the Redwood Coast Sector extending from Humboldt Lagoons State Park near Orick to Crescent City. Coastal access opportunities are key elements of this planning effort.

The District supports the development of a continuous coastal trail segment along the Humboldt County Coast with connectivity to the coastal State Parks. Benefits to the public include improved access to the coastline and enhanced connectivity to State Park lands along the coast and further inland. A thoughtfully planned coastal trail will provide many additional recreational opportunities that will translate directly to improved economic vitality for the region. Other vital benefits include: improved opportunities for exercise and fitness training for local communities, connectivity of small coastal communities and perhaps most importantly, additional transportation corridors for walking or cycling between local communities.

We look forward to participating in stakeholder involvement efforts, and have been in communication with RCAA staff about how we can assist.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal access and restoration here on the north coast. If you have questions, please contact us at (707) 445-6547.

Sincerely,

Steve Horvitz

District Superintendent

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August 13, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

This letter is written in support of the 'Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I' proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA), furthering the State of California's goal to establish a continuous trail stretching the full length of coastal Humboldt County. Public momentum for completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has worked closely with RCAA on several public access trail projects within the Headwaters Forest Reserve, King Range National Conservation Area, South Spit Cooperative Management Area, and Lost Coast Headlands. RCAA staff provided a high level of expertise in the planning, design, and construction of these trails. They have also been intricately involved in coordinating multi-jurisdictional projects with the county, state and other federal agencies, and local stakeholders. Their extensive experience in consensus-building and conflict resolution has proven to be very effective, as evidenced by the public's high level of satisfaction with these trail projects.

The BLM looks forward to participating in stakeholder involvement efforts. BLM staff will be available to assist RCAA with proposed trail planning, design, and construction.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal trail access on the north coast. If you have questions, please contact Bruce Cann at (707) 825-2322 or by email at bcann@ca.blm.gov.

Sincerely,

Lynda J. Roush

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August 20, 2008

Ms. Jennifer Rice, Co-Director Natural Resources Services Division Redwood Community Action Agency 904 G Street Eureka, CA 95501

RE: Support for Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program - Phase I

Dear Ms. Rice:

The Humboldt County Department of Public Works strongly supports the grant application being submitted by Redwood Community Action Agency to the State Coastal Conservancy for coastal trail planning in Humboldt County.

The County has successfully teamed with RCAA to construct the Hammond Trail, a portion of the State Coastal Trail, and is active in trying to bring trails throughout our community in order to provide for enjoyment of our natural environment and transportation alternatives to motor vehicles.

The County has recently led an effort with RCAA and many of the incorporated cities as well as local tribes to document non-motorized needs throughout the County. Detailed planning of the coastal trail is an important component of moving forward to provide for non-motorized transportation throughout the County as well as looking to the future for a complete coastal trail spanning the State of California.

We look forward to the opportunity, through this grant, to provide a half-time staff position dedicated to California Coastal Trail planning and implementation efforts.

Sincerely,

Thomas K. Mattson, PE

Director of Public Works

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September 3, 2008

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman California Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing on behalf of the California Department of Transportation, District 1, to express support for the "Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I" proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. Planning for connectivity of non-motorized facilities is an interest in our local communities as well as statewide.

This project complements the Department's overall focus on mobility, as well as our interest in the following areas:

- Safe and efficient transportation for all users of the transportation system
- Provision of alternatives for non-motorized travel
- Attainment of community goals and objectives
- Meeting transportation needs of low-mobility, disadvantaged groups
- Support of State's economic development
- Minimization of adverse effects on the environment, natural resources, public services, aesthetic features and the community

Enhancing non-motorized opportunities and connectivity—making pedestrian travel a more attractive option—can reduce the need for motorized trips. By reducing motor-vehicle trips, congestion, and the growing problems associated with them, we can improve the quality of life for all Californians.

We appreciate your efforts to promote California Coastal Trail connectivity and restoration in Humboldt County. We look forward to participating and providing input towards the effort, as it is consistent with our other ambitions in projects such as the Pacific Coast Bike Route. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at (707) 445-6445.

Sincerely,

CHARLES C. FIELDER

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August 5, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Letter of Support: Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program - Phase I

Dear Chairman Bosco:

Please accept this letter on behalf of the City of Eureka in support of the Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program (Phase I) proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. Should the proposal be approved, we are confident that the resulting coastal trails program will provide specific and tangible recreational, scenic and public health benefits for Eureka and all citizens in the Humboldt Bay region.

Eureka is one a many local agencies currently working together toward a regional trail system. Public momentum for completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

We look forward to participating in stakeholder involvement efforts, and have been in communication with RCAA staff about how we can assist. City staff will be available to assist RCAA with CCT planning efforts, and we will help get the word out about opportunities to participate in the process.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal access and restoration here in Eureka and on the north coast. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. Thank you.

Sincerely,

City Manager



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State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

The Redwood Region Economic Development Commission (RREDC) is a collaboration of Humboldt County communities dedicated to advancing the economic health of Humboldt County and implementing the Humboldt county Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Our membership includes nineteen public entities including the County of Humboldt and all cities in the county.

RREDC would like to express strong support for the Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program –Phase I proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA).

Public momentum for completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

RREDC has worked with many local and state jurisdictions to improve, promote, plan and build a healthy area. The Coastal Trail through Humboldt County would:

- Provide a healthier lifestyle for all ages which will improve the quality of life.
- Increases tourism to our area by improving coastal access and regional trail system.

RREDC will continue to support the development of the Coastal Trail.

- RREDC will help get the word out about opportunities to participate in the process.
- RREDC will assist RCAA to look for implementation funding opportunities.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal access and restoration here on the North Coast. If you have questions, please contact me at (707) 445-9651.

Sincerely, Virginia Fisher

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August 4, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing in support of the "Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I" proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. As a statewide non-profit dedicated to the completion of the California Coastal Trail (CCT), Coastwalk is very interested in supporting local projects that further the completion of the CCT and which also tie the Trail into other regional trail systems. Public momentum for completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

Coastwalk is facilitating the signage of completed segments of the CCT up and down the California Coast. By participating in many local "trail unveiling" events once these CCT signs are placed, we have seen the many benefits the CCT brings to communities. Tourism, local access to beaches, affordable exercise and fitness opportunities are all benefits provided by completing CCT segments in local areas.

We look forward to participating in stakeholder involvement efforts, and have been in communication with RCAA staff about how we can assist. Our staff will be coordinating with RCAA and installing signage once the trail segments are complete as well as working to publicize this North Coast segment. We will also be informing our membership about progress on this new trail segment.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal access and restoration on the north coast. If you have questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Una J. M. Glass Executive Director



August 17, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to show our support of the 'Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I' proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. We are a local trail advocacy organization and we have never seen the current level of public support and agency cooperation for trails, and the coastal trail in particular. We believe that the team at the Natural Resources Services Division of Redwood Community Action Agency is the group of people that can turn this support and momentum of a regional trail system from vision to reality.

With some of the highest gas prices in the nation, our region is looking to use trails as transportation more than ever. The proposed California Coastal Trail will allow connections between seven cities to two institutions of higher learning, the downtowns of the cities of Arcata and Eureka, major sources of shopping and employment in our county and unprecedented access to our amazing coast and bay.

The Trails Trust looks forward to participating as stakeholders and supporting the effort by reaching our membership base through our enewsletter, our weekly radio show, and our website.

Thank you to the Coastal Conservancy for lending this support to our efforts on the north coast to complete the coastal trail.

Sincerely,

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Mike Buettner

President

Trails Trust of Humboldt Bay



Our goal: To improve and encourage bicycle commuting P.O. Box 9054, Eureka, CA 95502-9054

August 18, 2008

State Coastal Conservancy Board Chairman Douglas Bosco 1330 Broadway, Suite 1300 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco:

The Humboldt Bay Bicycle Commuters Association wholly supports the 'Humboldt County Coastal Trail Implementation Program – Phase I' proposal submitted by the Redwood Community Action Agency. Public momentum for completing a regional trail system is high and the timing is excellent to have a dedicated team working with all of the north coast agencies to make this vision a reality.

The Humboldt Bay Bicycle Commuters Association has worked for over 25 years to improve and encourage bicycle commuting. During that time we have worked closely with all local governments to achieve this goal. We have prepared and assisted in the preparation of several Bicycle Facility Plans, providing both technical and user expertise. We have prepared several successful grant applications for local agencies. We have worked to have bike racks installed on transit buses, we've assisted in the placement of bike racks throughout the County, and we provide bicycle safety training to area youth through our "Bike Smart" training classes.

Representatives of RCAA provide regular updates on trail planning and implementation progress, and solicit input and involvement from our organization in their efforts. We look forward to continuing to work with them, and other local agencies to further achieve our goal to improve and encourage bicycle commuting.

Thank you for the Coastal Conservancy's efforts to promote coastal access and restoration here on the north coast. If you have any questions, please contact us at the address above, or you can call me at 839-4336.

Sincerely,

Scott Kelly, President

Humboldt Bay Bicycle Commuters Association

Cc: HBBCA Board of Directors

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